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and wherein said interconnecting means on said top and bottom edges are ~~symmetrically~~ ^{*Offset*} arranged whereby said insulating construction member can be interconnected with a like member in a bi-directional or reversible manner.

[Please amend claim 4 as follows:

~~11~~ ^{*11*}. (Once Amended) An insulating construction block comprising:

a pair of substantially parallel side members having top and bottom edges;

joining means interconnecting said side members;

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interconnecting means on said top and bottom edges, said interconnecting means including at least two ^{*said*} ~~[one]~~ rows of alternating projections and recesses wherein a recess of one row is adjacent a projection of the other row, ^{*said*} ~~wherein a recess of~~ said projections and recesses having substantially the same dimensions;

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wherein the interconnecting means on said top and bottom edges are substantially ~~symmetrically~~ ^{*Offset*} arranged whereby said construction block can be interlocked with a like block in a bi-directional or reversible manner.

[Please cancel claims 6 and 7. ✓ ✓

[Please amend claims 8 and 9, line 2, to change "6" to --1--. ✓ ✓

Please cancel claims 14 and 15.

Please amend claim 17 as follows:

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--17. (Once Amended) An insulating construction block according to claim 1, wherein said [web means] joining means is a web [permit adjustability of a distance between said side members].--

Please add new claims 21 and 22 as follows:

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